

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Applicants hereby respectfully submit the accompanying 80 Replacement Drawing Sheets to replace Drawing Sheets 1-80 presently of record, which contain all of Figures 1a – 63 that are currently pending in the Application. Applicants respectfully submit that no substantive amendments have been made to the figures, that the accompanying 80 Replacement Drawing Sheets are in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.84 and 37 C.F.R. §1.121(d), and that the accompanying 80 Replacement Drawing Sheets do not add new matter.

Attachments: 80 Replacement Drawing Sheets

REMARKS

Applicants submit this Amendment After Allowance pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.312 in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed January 29, 2010, which allowed claims 22-65, 67-71, and 73-89. No claims are amended by this response. Claims 22, 44, 57, 70, and 74 are independent claims from which claims 23-43, 45-56, 58-65 and 67-69, 71 and 73, and 75-89 depend, respectively.

Amendments to the Specification

Applicants have amended the section of the Specification titled "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS," to update the status of related applications. Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments do not add new matter, and request entry of these amendments in the Application.

Amendments to the Drawings

Applicants herewith submit 80 Replacement Drawing Sheet containing all of Figures 1a – 63 that are currently pending in the Application. Applicants respectfully submit that the Replacement Drawings Sheets are being submitted solely to maximize drawing quality in the issued patent, that no substantive amendments have been made to the figures, that the accompanying 80 Replacement Drawing Sheets are in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.84 and 37 C.F.R. §1.121(d), and that the accompanying 80 Replacement Drawing Sheets do not add new matter. Applicants respectfully request entry of these 80 Replacement Drawings Sheets in the Application.

Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Applicants express appreciation to Examiner Julio R. Perez for recognition of the patentable subject matter of claims 22-65, 67-71, and 73-89.

However, during the course of prosecution of the Application, the Examiner may have provided various reasons for allowing claims 22-65, 67-71, and 73-89. The Applicants do not agree or disagree at this time with those reasons, but respectfully reserve the right to support or traverse those reasons should the need arise, and argue different reasons for the allowability of the claims.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request that allowed claims 22-65, 67-71, and 73-89 be expedited to issuance.

If the Examiner has any questions or the Applicants can be of any assistance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees required by this submission or to credit any overpayment, to the Deposit Account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Ltd., Account No. 13-0017.

A Supplemental Notice of Allowance is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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